

# Recycling Newsletter

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## Christmas Tree Recycling

- There is no City curbside pickup of Christmas trees.
- BFI will not collect them!
- There are eight convenient neighborhood drop-off locations:

Acre North Common  
 Back Central S. Common  
 Belvidere Cawley Stadium & Shedd Park  
 Centralville Gage Field  
 Highlands Hadley Park  
 Pawtucketville Elks Club  
 Sacred Heart Manning Field

- Boy Scout Troop 23 will collect trees, by appointment only, for a \$5 donation. {see website for details}

## What's in your Bin?....

Place the following in the bin

- Glass bottles/ Jars {all colors & sizes}
- Aluminum/ Tin/ Steel Cans & lids
- All plastic containers {labeled 1-7}
- Milk cartons & Juice boxes {remove straws}



Place the following in a brown paper bag, then in bin

- Newspaper & Inserts
- Paperboard (cereal & cracker boxes)
- Magazines & Catalogs
- Phone Books
- Junk Mail
- Office Paper



## Curbside Bins are FREE!

Pick yours up at City Hall {Rm 34} or at DPW, 1365 Middlesex St. [from 8:30 AM - 4:30 PM] Monday thru Friday.

**Please... No Plastic Bags, No Styrofoam, No wax paper, No broken glass, No aluminum foil, No soiled pizza boxes & No Syringes!**

**Did you know...** Lowell currently recycles only **13%** of its municipal solid waste! A city our size should be at 30%. The U.S. EPA estimates that 40% of household refuse is recyclable paper and an additional 23% is glass, plastic and cans. For every additional 1% we can divert from the incinerator the city stands to **save \$53,000!!**

## Winter Holiday Schedule

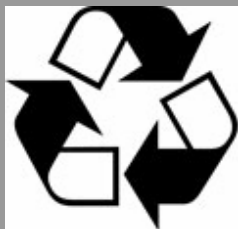
## Jan -Feb -Mar 2007

Monday Jan. 1	Monday Jan. 15	Monday Feb. 19
New Year's Day	Martin Luther King Jr. Day	President's Day
City Hall Closed	Jr. Day	City Hall Closed
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## Recycling Office

Neighborhood Services  
1st Floor, Rm 34  
Lowell City Hall  
375 Merrimack St  
Lowell MA 01852

Phone: 978-446-7277  
Fax: 978-446-7048  
Email: [recycle@lowellma.gov](mailto:recycle@lowellma.gov)



**Rethink Recycling... It's easier than ever!**

[www.lowellrecycle.org](http://www.lowellrecycle.org)

## Looking Ahead...SPRING '07

Yard Waste Collection resumes

Monday April 2nd [set out same day as trash]

Used Motor Oil drop off center re-opens

Sat April 28th \* (8 Am—Noon)

Duck Island, Waste Water Treatment Plant  
451 First Street Blvd, Rt. 110

\* 4th Saturday of each month

Household Hazardous Waste Day

Late April / Early May {see website for updates}

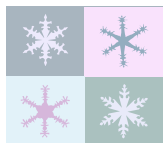
## Other Contact Information

### BFI/ Allied Waste

Garbage/ Appliances/ Yard Waste/ TV & Monitors  
978-649-7564

### F.W. Russell

Curbside Recycling  
1-888-870-6034



*"A little effort...a BIG difference!"*

## Keep Mercury from rising

Mercury containing items, if improperly disposed of, can cause harm to the environment. Keep them out of the garbage!

The Recycling Office collects the following:

- Button Cell Batteries {from watches, cameras, & hearing aids}.
- Glass Mercury Fever Thermometer [exchange it for a new digital thermometer]
- Rechargeable Batteries Nickel-Cadmium (Ni-Cd)

Bring these items to the Recycling Office



## How can I help?

***"If you can rip-it... Recycle it!"***

By increasing the volume of recyclables in your bin you are helping the City reduce the cost of solid waste hauling and disposal. Every ton costs \$125.

Corrugated Cardboard is recyclable! Break down {flatten} boxes to 2' x 2', bundle and place on top of your bin at the curb. Discard packing styrofoam.

Recycled newspaper currently has a high market value; -If all newspapers in the US were recycled for 1 day, 41,000 trees would be saved and 6 million tons of waste would never end up in landfills.- place newspaper [and glossy inserts], catalogs, magazines, junk mail and phone books in a paper bag and place in your green bin.

Soiled Pizza boxes are **NOT** Recyclable.